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1. MISSION HAS INFORMED SECRETARIAT CONTENTS REF A. PROMPT ACCEPTANCE OF PROPOSED DATES FOR VISIT WAS GREATLY APPRECIATED BY SECRETARIAT.
2. CONCERNING SCHEDULE, SECRETARIAT WOULD LIKE TO HAVE ROUGH OUTLINE OF APPOINTMENTS PRIOR TO DEPARTURE OF TEAM ON APRIL 18. WHEN ARRANGING APPOINTMENTS, DEPT IS REQUESTED TO NOTE THAT TEAM WILL BE INTERVIEWING FOUR CANDIDATES FOR SECRETARIAT POSITIONS AND WOULD LIKE SOME TIME BLOCKED OUT FOR THIS PURPOSE, PERHAPS FRIDAY AFTERNOON.
3. SECRETARIAT HAS NO STRONG FEELINGS ON APPOINTMENTS OUTSIDE STANDARD CIRCUIT, BUT WOULD IF POSSIBLE LIKE TO CONTINUE PRACTICE BEGUN LAST YEAR OF MEETING WITH RELEVANT CONGRESSIONAL COMMITTEE STAFF MEMBERS, E.G. STARK OF JEC, RIVLIN OF BUDGET. IF TIME AND OPPORTUNITY PERMIT, TEAM WOULD BE INTERESTED IN SEEING ARTHUR OKUN AT BROOKINGS. GIVEN INTEREST IN INFLATION

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AND NON-MACRO POLICIES, APPOINTMENT WITH GOVERNOR WALLICH WOULD ALSO BE DESIRABLE. MEETING WITH COWPS PER REF A ALSO IMPORTANT. SECRETARIAT RECOGNIZES THAT SUGGESTIONS FOR APPOINTMENTS ARE NUMEROUS, BUT HAS EXPRESSED PREFERENCE FOR FEWER IN-DEPTH MEETINGS THAN MORE CONTACTS OF A SUPERFICIAL KIND.

4. SECRETARIAT IS PREPARING DRAFT OUTLINE FOR U.S.
SURVEY WHICH WE WILL FORWARD AS SOON AS RECEIVED.
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